

GREECE TO JOIN ALLIES IN WAR

BREAKS RELATION WITH GERMANY, AUSTRIA, HUNGARY AND TURKEY.

HOSTILITIES NOT YET OPENED

Recalls Ministers from Foreign Posts and Dutch Take Over Archives—Move in Result of Constantinian's Dethronement.

Athens.—The Greek government has broken diplomatic relations with Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey.

Though war has not yet been declared, the Greek government considers that a state of war exists since its advent to power.

The recall of the Greek diplomatic representatives accredited to the central powers and their allies is imminent.

Dutch Take Over Archives.

Paris.—Telegraphing from Athens the correspondent of Le Temps says:

"The Greek government has directed its minister to Switzerland, G. Garafis, to communicate to the Greek legations at Berlin, Vienna, Sofia and Constantinople instructing the ministers to break diplomatic relations between the Greek kingdom and the governments of Germany, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey."

"The Greek ministers at these capitals are instructed to leave their posts with their staffs and to place their archives with The Netherlands legations."

"The rupture is based on the incompatibility of maintaining diplomatic relations with governments that are carrying on war in Greek territory."

Result of King's Dethronement.

Greece's new course with regard to the war began to be shaped on June 12, with the abdication of King Constantine and the accession of Alexander, his second son, as king. The abdication was in effect a dethronement of Constantine, whose pro-German attitude had given the entente endless trouble and threatened not only the success of the Salonika expedition, but its safety through danger of back fire from a hostile Greek military force. Decisive action by the entente was long in coming, but was drastic when finally taken.

BOY SCOUTS OUT ON STRIKE

Truckers Halt Harvest and Charges Are Made of Low Pay and Hardships.

Richmond, Va.—Nearly one thousand boy scouts from Virginia cities who responded a week ago to a call for help to harvest the potato crop in the Eastern Shore district, will return to their homes with most of the harvest work still undone.

They declared growing promises of big earnings were not fulfilled. The expenses of the expedition amounted to about \$1,500 and the wages paid totaled \$495.

John Stewart Bryan, president of the Richmond Scout council, charges that the truckers were paying negroes 20 and 25 cents a barrel for picking up potatoes, while only 15 cents was given to the scouts.

GERMANS USE DEADLY GERMS

Teuton Object is to Wipe Out Race Says W. Howard Cole, Consulting Engineer.

New York.—William Howard Cole, a consulting engineer here from the war zone, says that the Germans are operating germ factories for the propagation of deadly diseases among the enemy nations. He says that men and women who fall into Teuton hands are inoculated hypodermically with infectious and contagious diseases, and when the opportunity presents itself are liberated to spread death and disease among all those with whom they come in contact.

\$375,000 Loss in Fire.

Elkhart, Ind.—The Sturgis Steel Co. plant at Sturgis, Mich., was totally wiped out by flames with a loss of approximately \$375,000, fully covered by insurance.

Man-Eating Sharks.

New London, Conn.—Man-eating sharks, which took their toll of human life along the Atlantic coast last season, have reappeared. A 7-foot man-eater was brought in.

Kills Father Attacking Mother.

Springfield, Ill.—The fifteenth farmer of Mansfield, is dead from the effects of a blow on the head struck by his 17-year-old son, Preston, in defense of his mother.

De Weese Chooses Shooting.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—Howard De Weese, convicted of the murder of his wife, who before their marriage was Mrs. Harry W. Fisher of New York, chose to be shot rather than hang when the death sentence is executed July 6.

Daggers Given U. S. Soldiers.

Plattsburg, N. Y.—A long, keen dagger, it is understood at the officers' training camp here, will be supplied every American infantryman going to France.

Paper Measures Adopted.

Washington, D. C.—The senate adopted the Reed resolution calling upon the federal trade commission to account for its failure to issue orders restraining the print paper manufacturers from "monopolistic and unfair practices."

German Diplomats to Europe.

An American Port—Six German diplomats and their families arrived here on a steamer from South America. They are on their way back to Germany.

BEST FRIENDS OF BLINDED SOLDIERS



Sir Arthur and Lady Pearson, greatest friends and workers for the relief of the blind. Sir Arthur, although blind himself, has been the chief worker for the relief of the blind in Great Britain.

ASKED TO LEAD CRUSADE GENERAL CALL ON AUGUST 5

MRS. HUMISTON HAS RECEIVED MANY LETTERS.

District Attorney Urges Woman Lawyer to Direct Campaign—Three Girls Found.

New York, N. Y.—Mrs. Grace Humiston, the woman lawyer, who solved the Ruth Cruger murder mystery, was urged in hundreds of letters to lead a great crusade against white slavery in New York.

District Attorney Swann asked Mrs. Humiston to direct such a campaign. Heads of several reform organizations appealed to the woman lawyer to take up the work. She promised a decision within a week.

Stung by criticism of their handling of the murder of Ruth Cruger, the police have been displaying unusual activity in the search for missing girls.

Three young girls, the oldest only 17, who disappeared from their homes in New York several days ago, were found in a cottage in the woods near Peekskill. They had been induced to leave their homes by three men, with whom they had been living. The police are searching for the men.

NEW PEACE OFFER IN JULY

Germans Predict That Concessions Will Be Made as to Alsace-Lorraine.

London, England.—That Germany will make another peace offer in July was the prediction made by the Daily News. The statement was based upon a dispatch from Rotterdam, hinting that fresh peace proposals may be made by the German chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, shortly after the reichstag convenes, July 5.

A dispatch in the Times said that Maximilian Harden devoted the whole of his paper, Die Zukunft, to an article on peace, entitled "The Stockholm Dream," on June 16. He says that in view of the situation which has developed, Germany must make concessions regarding Poland and Alsace-Lorraine if she is really anxious to bring about a peace pact.

The journalist refers to the "childish" distortion of President Wilson's war message by the German press.

PENN CUTS OFF 102 TRAINS

Curtailment Effective July 1, to Increase Facilities for Movement of War Supplies.

Philadelphia, Pa.—In order to provide increased facilities for the movement of troops, government supplies and foodstuffs, the Pennsylvania railroad announces that, effective July 1, 102 passenger trains will be eliminated from its lines.

In addition, a number of parlor cars, restaurant cars, sleepers, club and observation cars will be discontinued.

Among the trains to be withdrawn are four in the New York-Washington service, six between Philadelphia and Washington, one between Philadelphia and Buffalo, and two between Pittsburgh and New York.

Oregon to Go to France.

El Paso, Tex.—Gen. Alvaro Obregon, former minister of war in Carranza's cabinet, has been designated an military observer of the Mexican government, with the American and French armies, and will go to the French front in the near future.

Wages Increased Voluntarily.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—The Utah Copper Co. and the American Smelting and Refining Co. have voluntarily increased wages to all employees effective July 1. More than 7,500 men are affected.

Menken Heads Security League.

New York.—S. Stanwood Menken was elected president of the National Security League, to succeed Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France and now a major on the staff of Major General Pershing.

American Flier Killed.

Paris.—According to a report received from the front, James Hall of Boston, an American aviator in the Lafayette Escadrille, has been killed in an air fight against seven German adversaries.

Trial of Miss Lusk Set.

Waukegan, Wis.—Miss Grace Lusk, confessed slayer of Mrs. David Roberts, began her long wait for the trial in December. The coroner's jury directed that Miss Lusk stand trial for the killing.

New French Medals.

Paris.—The official medal to be sold on the streets of Paris July 14, the national holiday, will bear the profiles of Washington and Lafayette on one side and the arms of the city of Paris on the other.

CROWDED CAR GOES IN RIVER

ACCIDENT AT NIAGARA FALLS RESULTS IN DEATH OF MANY PASSENGERS.

RAIN HAD UNDERMINED TRACK

Speeding Trolley Slips Along Bank and Turns Upside Down in River Just Above Falls—Two Swept Into Whirlpool.

Niagara Falls, New York.—A belt car on the Great Gorge route loaded with passengers left the rails, plunged down a 20-foot embankment and turned over in 10 feet of water on the edge of the Whirlpool Rapids Sunday afternoon.

Nine persons are known to be dead, two known to have been on the car. It has not been seen since the accident and probably are dead, an indefinite number, estimated at from two to ten, are reported missing and more than a score are in hospitals suffering from injuries.

A washout, due to recent heavy rains, was the cause of the disaster, which occurred just below the cantilever bridge and 6 feet below the point where the smooth water of the upper reaches of the Niagara break into the turbulent Whirlpool Rapids.

E. E. Nickles, superintendent of the Gorge railroad, issued a statement in which he placed the number of dead at 14. All the other passengers on the car had been accounted for, he said.

The car had all but completed the circuit of the gorge, having crossed from the Canadian side of the river on the trolley bridge at Lewiston. There were more than 50 passengers on board, it was believed.

The car was one of the open style, the seats extending from side to side, with steps on both sides the full length. All the seats were occupied, some passengers were standing between them and there were others on the rear platform.

The car was running at a speed of about twenty miles an hour when it struck the weak spot in the roadbed. Less than half a minute elapsed from the time the motorman felt the first jarring sway until the car was bottom side up on the edge of the rushing rapids.

From the riverside the bodies of at least two of the passengers were seen to be caught in the swifter waters and were carried down to the whirlpool.

Members of a national guard company saw the accident and were first to the rescue.

NEGROES RIOT IN E. ST. LOUIS

Big Body of Armed Blacks Refuse to Disperse When Order Came—Martial Law in Force.

East St. Louis, Ill.—More than 200 rioting negroes in East St. Louis Monday, every man armed with either a rifle or a revolver, took possession of the black belt in the vicinity of Sixteenth street and Bois menue avenue, killed one policeman and seriously wounded four other officers and one citizen.

Without a word of warning, the negroes opened fire on a police department automobile, in which four officers and a reporter were riding, in Bond avenue, near Tenth street, and raked the car with bullets. That anyone escaped alive is a mystery.

Two companies of the Illinois national guard, now in the federal service, have been sent to the scene and are now in control.

Soldiers' Reunion in Salem.

Quincy, Ill.—The local post of the Grand Army of the Republic has been advised that the annual reunion of the Southern Illinois Soldiers and Sailors' Reunion Association will be held in Salem the third week in August.

Wyoming Forest Burning.

Laramie, Wyo.—Four forest fires, two of them serious, are burning in this section. It is believed the most serious one, which threatened the settlement of Gramma, is 60 miles west of here.

Socialists Scold America.

Copenhagen.—The German majority Socialists have returned from Stockholm and are scolding both Germany and criticizing the United States for not favoring the German majority Socialists' particular brand of peace.

German War Loan.

Berlin.—The Reichstag will be called on to approve a budget for the current fiscal year authorizing the chancellor to mobilize a new war credit of \$3,750,000,000, bringing the appropriations to \$23,800,000,000.

Electricians in Conference.

Butte, Mont.—Two conferences were held by electricians of the Montana Power Company and the company officials in an effort to bring to an end the electricians' strike which has thrown out 15,000 men.

Jews Raise War Fund.

New York.—The American Jewish relief committee announced lately that in the last six months it raised \$5,250,000 for the relief of Jewish sufferers in Europe. The committee must raise \$10,000,000 this year.

\$1,000,000 Salary.

New York.—Motion picture stars were startled when they heard that Charles Chaplin, the English comedian, had received an offer of a salary of \$1,000,000 for his services for one year, beginning about Sept. 1.

Arizona Strike Probable.

Globe, Ariz.—Responding to the refusal of the three big copper companies in the Globe-Miami district to consider their demands, the Metal Mine Workers' Industrial Union issued an order to quit work.

AUDITOR REPORTS COUNTY FUNDS GONE

LEWIS COUNTY OFFICIALS ARE SAID TO HAVE OVERDRAWN SALARIES.

SUM APPROXIMATES \$13,000

Clerk's Bond Not Recorded and He Is Said to Own \$5,520—Noah W. Simpson Also Charged With Taking Too Much.

Jefferson City, Mo.

An examination of the records of Lewis county, filed with the county court at Monticello by examiners from Auditor Hackmann's office, show that James W. Barnes, former circuit clerk, owes the county \$5,520 and that his bond is missing and not recorded.

Among county officers and former county officers who are found to have collected and kept more money than they were legally entitled to retain is Noah W. Simpson, a member of the public service commission, who as prosecuting attorney received \$700 a year in salary for four years, instead of the \$600 which the report finds he should have been paid.

Barnes' bond should be on file in the office of the secretary of state. It is not there. It should be recorded in the office of the circuit clerk and recorder of Lewis county, which is the office Barnes held. It is not recorded there.

The examiners found that county officers and former officers owe the county approximately \$13,000.

E. C. Hilbert, who succeeded Simpson as prosecuting attorney, must pay back \$620; J. M. Smoot, former county clerk, \$6,747.13; Earl Samuel, county clerk, \$438.23; N. W. Castor, former collector, \$14.02.

Burrell M. Bradshaw, county collector, is found to have overpaid the county \$517.61, which he will recover.

Eludes Bloodhounds.

Frank Johnson, doing a term of five years in the penitentiary for burglary, demonstrated to the disgust of prison authorities that bloodhounds are not worth their feed when properly dosed with red pepper.

Johnson made his escape from a gang of convicts employed on the site of the new state capitol park. He went behind a high hill and changed his pants and sprinkled the pair he left behind with plenty of red pepper.

The hounds were called into requisition, and one sniff of the garment he left behind set the dogs wild with pain.

Insurance Staff Cut.

Gov. Gardner, who will reappoint Walter K. Chorn of Fayette as insurance superintendent, at \$3,000 a year, has caused Chorn to make sweeping changes in the personnel of the clerical force in that department.

But few of the clerks employed during the Major administration were retained. John Sanderson, son-in-law of former Gov. Major, who was put on the pay roll in the state insurance department at the suggestion of Major, late in the year 1916, was not retained on the new force. His salary was \$1,800. Sanderson resigned recently.

The number employed in the department was decreased from 15 to 14, which is in keeping with the governor's demand that the clerks be cut down so that all might find work to do.

Help Defense Councils.

Gov. Gardner in an address urges the people of Missouri to support the state and county councils of defense in every way possible.

These organizations, he says, are the supreme local authority in all matters pertaining to the mobilization of the state's resources, and only through them can the nation be efficiently served.

Independent action by organizations and individuals he declares can only result in confusion.

New Carload Limits.

An application has been filed with the public service commission by the trunk-line railroads operating in Missouri for the establishment of a new minimum carload limit on shipments of grain and grain products.

Many years ago the old board of railway and warehouse commissioners fixed the minimum at 30,000 pounds. This proved satisfactory until recently, when the minimum fixed by the interstate commerce commission was placed at 40,000 pounds.

Grants Woman Habeas Corpus.

Judge Walker of the supreme court granted a writ of habeas corpus in the application of Mrs. Effie Livingston of Jasper county, under sentence of 10 years in the penitentiary for the murder of her husband.

She gave bond in the sum of \$5,000 and was released. Meantime, she has taken an appeal from the judgment of the lower court to the supreme court, where her case will be heard next October. She had been in prison one month.

Bone-Dry Costs.

Bone-dry prohibition as proposed in the federal food-control measure would cost Missouri more than \$2,500,000 biennially in revenues from license taxes and fees from inspection of beer and other malt liquors. It would cost the counties and the city of St. Louis approximately \$4,000,000 annually.

After Pay Methods.

In the supreme court in banc Judge Faris, with the concurrence of the other judges, held valid and constitutional the act of 1915 changing the basis of pay for the clerks of the circuit courts throughout the state.

Constitutionality of the statute was attacked on the ground it was granting the circuit clerks an increase in salary during the terms of office for which they were elected.

Judge Faris rules that the law is not an increase of salaries, but a change in the methods of pay.

Supreme Court Decisions.

Eighteen opinions were delivered and were passed upon at a sitting of the motion and writs in a number of cases supreme court in banc. This probably is the last delivery of decisions of any magnitude during the rest of the present term, which will soon close.

There may be another delivery in banc at this term, but it will consist of two or three opinions.

It is expected that there will be another delivery of decisions in division No. 2.

HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

Four days after receiving orders from the war department to organize a company of motor truck drivers for the Missouri infantry, Lieutenants J. A. Wright and B. B. Minor, attached to regimental headquarters at Pierre City, announced that the full complement of men had been secured. Ten more than the required number, fifty-three, were enlisted.

Lowell Alonzo Goodman of Kansas City, known nationally as an authority on fruit growing, is dead at Goodman, Mo., where he went to look after his orchard interests in McDonald county. His body was found in a chair in his room at the hotel by servants. He was 72 years old.

Mrs. Mary Ann Mullen of Middleton, O., 36 years old, was killed when a motor car was struck by a Burlington train at Lenton, when the car stalled on the track.

R. C. Haennsler, a member of the Missouri House of Representatives, 60 years old, is dead at St. Charles.

Mrs. E. P. Emmons, national lecturer of the W. C. T. U., is dead, following an operation at Montgomery, She was buried at Mexico.

Charley Baker, bodyguard to Bill Anderson, noted Civil war guerrilla who terrorized Missouri, is dead at his home near Montgomery, where he had lived a quiet life since the Civil war closed.

Theodore Savier, claiming to be a Frenchman and employed as a gang foreman on the Myrick division of the Missouri Pacific Railway, was taken into custody by a federal officer at Lexington recently on the charge of mutilating the American flag.

The University of Missouri's staff of graduates on the Japan Advertiser will be increased next month when Frank H. King, former editor of the Daily Missourian, the school of journalism daily, arrives in Tokio. He sails from San Francisco June 30.

King is the fourth newspaper man to be supplied the Japan Advertiser by the University of Missouri School of Journalism. Oscar Reilly, J. G. Babb, Jr., and Ralph H. Turner, all graduates, are employed on the Advertiser staff.

The funeral of Thomas L. Powers, veteran Kansas and Missouri newspaper man, who died recently, was held at Noel. Death was caused by rheumatism of the heart. Mr. Powers, until fifteen years ago, was well known among Kansas and Missouri editors. He was connected with the Ellinwood (Kas.) Express, the Sterling (Kas.) Gazette and Bulletin and the Blue Springs (Mo.) Voice. He was 80 years old June 1.

The annual convention of the Missouri Music Teachers' Association was held at Springfield recently. Herbert Krumme of St. Joseph was elected president for the year, succeeding Miss Louis Wright of Fayette. Other officers chosen were: Vice president, Miss Birdie Atwood, Springfield; secretary-treasurer, Tyree W. Lyon, St. Louis; examiner, W. L. Calhoun, Joplin.

While playing in the Missouri Pacific yards at Lamar the 12-year-old son of Mr. Wesley Knapp was struck and killed by an engine.

Flag day was observed in Marshall with a parade and addresses. Business houses and dwellings were decorated.

Worry over not having registered for military service caused William Mike-man, 27 years old, to shoot himself to death at his home, twenty miles east of Cassville.

Judge Fred Lamb of Salisbury, sitting as special judge in the Livingston County circuit court, recently fined the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company \$1,000 for violating the state quarantine laws.

When the preliminary hearing of Roy Todd, charged with the murder of his supposed wife on May 30, was begun at Springfield, Mrs. Sopra Todd, named in the state's affidavit against Todd as having been slain by him, entered the court room and announced she really was Todd's wife. It developed that the woman Todd is charged with slaying was Mrs. Lisle Huddell, with whom he lived.

LeRoy C. Hunsaker, a member of the National Guard at Kirksville, was found dead in an alley near the Vendome Hotel at Moberly. Indentions are that Hunsaker was stabbed.

The Rev. Blaine Dry, Madison, Mo., is dead at Moberly from injuries sustained at the Union station there when he was struck by an engine. Mr. Dry, who was deaf, stepped in front of the engine as he disembarked from a "Katy" train.

George Pace, 16, and Joe Pace, 13, brothers, fell out of a boat in Flat creek near Sedalia recently and drowned. They were skylarking with two Skags brothers, who swim in shore. George Pace's body was recovered.

John Coss, a farmer, was killed and Bert Coad, also a farmer, badly injured when a motor car in which they were returning to Orient, Ia., from St. Joseph, went off a bridge near Maryville. Coad was taken to a hospital in Maryville.

While he was out for a walk, Father James Kearney, an aged retired Catholic priest of St. Joseph, was attacked by a robber, and when he resisted, the footpad shot him three times and escaped. Father Kearney is not expected to recover from the wounds.